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Up to this writing war has not been declared between the United States and Japan. There is no telling how soon, however, the "yaller" journals of both countries will be "mixing it up" between themselves only.

If there is no possibility of the appointment of a democrat to the vacant United States judgeship we heartily favor the candidacy of District Attorney Sheppard. He is a native Floridian and an excellent gentleman.

We had wondered why someone hadn't thought of it, and were not surprised when on looking over the Sunday Times-Union we found that Joe Stripling had at last been mentioned in connection with the vacant United States judgeship for the Northern District of Florida.

Orange county was wet, and then it was dry, and now it is wet again, but the prohibition people down there are not satisfied and are preparing to petition for another election, and if they succeed in having the election called "promise to carry" the county "for keeps." Here's hoping.

The National News Service of Washington, reports that Florida leads all the cotton producing States in present crop prospects, while Georgia comes second, with Louisiana third. The relative standing in figures being: Florida, 53; Georgia 75; Louisiana, 90, and other States below the last named figure.

By a vote of thirty-three to seven the Georgia Senate on last Saturday passed the State prohibition law and if the House concurs—and of this there can be no doubt—the manufacture and sale of any kind of spirituous liquor there will be prohibited in that State after January 1st, next. The prohibition sentiment goes sweeping on, carrying everything in its path.

Hon. James E. Broome of Gadsden is being frequently mentioned as a fit man to occupy the exalted seat of governor of Florida. We want to say right here that Mr. Broome is a man of pronounced opinions and those opinions are pretty generally on the side of right, truth and justice. He comes as close to being a true tribune of the people as any man of whom we have any knowledge in the public life of Florida.

A correspondent in the Times-Union suggests that all those Confederate Veterans who are entitled to pension under the new law and who do not stand specially in need of the same, donate the money received by them to the various Confederate Camps for the benefit of the indigent veterans. The suggestion is a good one but we imagine that about ninety-nine and nine tenths of those who receive the pensions will find that they can use the money received for their own benefit.

It is greatly to be regretted that the county commissioners could not see the way clear to reduce the county tax levy for this year at least one and a half mills, thus overcoming the increase of State taxes to that amount. Assessed valuations in the county have been increased slightly and under the new law the commissioners will have authority to transfer the fine and forfeiture funds to other county funds. But even as it is, we are a great deal better off than some other counties of the State.

The Baptist Convention has been called to meet in extra session on the 24th inst., at Lake City. It will then be determined whether or not the Baptists of Florida will accept the offer of Lake City and found a denominational college in that city, using the buildings of the Agricultural College for that purpose. These buildings together with a handsome cash donation have been offered by the generous people of Lake City and there is not much doubt but that the Baptists will accept the offer.

Under the provisions of the general appropriation bill, which goes into effect July 1, the state chemist, the state auditor, assistant state auditor, and adjutant general, will receive the same salaries as all the cabinet officers. The chief clerk in the attorney general's office, the chief clerk in the treasurer's office and the bookkeeper in the comptroller's office will receive more than did the cabinet officers ten years ago, while a number of other minor clerks will receive as much as did these cabinet officers at that time—Pensacola Journal. And the people pay the freight.

Madison county now has two experimental tobacco farms and their owners feel assured of success in the culture of the plant.—Washington Verdict Assurance has passed into absolute verification, brother. The culture of tobacco has proven a tremendous success in this county and next year you may expect to hear of hundreds of acres of the weed being produced in Madison county. If you want to come in on the ground floor better move now while suitable land may be had at comparatively low price. In another year our lands will have increased in value to such an extent that people of our editor—class will be barred.

And it came to pass, even as promised. Conspiracy, deep, dark and diabolical. Editor L'Engle promised a sensation and he made good. He puts it right up to Peter O. Knight, Wallace Stovall and the County Judge of Manatee county, and furnishes documentary evidence in support of his assertions. The game of politics is a strange game and grows stranger with each recurring year. L'Engle makes out a strong case and it is now up to the alleged conspirators to disprove the evidence. Failing in this every man of them ought to be drummed out of the State. If successful L'Engle should have a like fate meted out to him. If the political game in Florida is as dirty as L'Engle attempts to make it appear then in all conscience it is time for a revolution. We want to hear from the alleged conspirators. They cannot afford to let the charges go unanswered.

Brother Storrs of the DeFun-lak Breeze takes a pessimistic view of recent events. He says: "The ordering of the fleet of battleships to the Pacific is not without its significance in view of all the talk about war with Japan, and shows that your Uncle Samuel does not intend to be caught unawares. While there is no doubt in the mind of any American as to what the ultimate outcome of such a war would be, it would be no Yankoo-Spanco conflict, and there would be mourning in many an American home before it was finished, even if it did not bring about a world-wide conflict, which is entirely within the range of possibilities." We call on "old man Dixon" of the Live Oak Democrat, to cheer up brother Storrs.

Albert Williamson is a man in whose heart the milk of human kindness is constantly flowing. He is always ready and willing to make sacrifices if by so doing he can aid an unfortunate brother. He now yearns to play the part of Pythias and wants Standard Oil Johnnie to enact the role of Damon. Hear him: "Even the millions of John D. Rockefeller cannot make him immune to the disease of slander that seems to lurk in the hearts of his enemies. They have all had poor old Johnnie 'hiding out' to avoid testifying in the Standard Oil cases in Chicago, when as a matter of fact he telegraphed the presiding Judge that he would appear before him whenever wanted. The Lord knows he had enough to be poor, but must be a whole lot worse to be a millionaire. But say John, if you don't mind, we will play Damon and Pythias with you a little while anyway."

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